



NOW SHOWING — Highlight of a preview showing of George Chacksfield's Merit Gardens is a beautifully finished model apartment with elegant French Provincial decor. The project comprises 31 architect-designed apartments.

Resident-Owned Cooperative Apartments on Display Today

The preview showing this weekend at George Chacksfield's luxurious new Merit Gardens cooperative apartments at 14919 S. Normandie Ave. will be highlighted by a beautifully furnished model apartment with elegant French Provincial decor by Hadrys and Barraclough.

Gardens' first strictly cooperative apartments, Merit Gardens was designed by the noted California architect, Richard M. Stoddard, AIA, in response to the discriminating families' demand for the advantages of home ownership without tedious yard work and other time-taking tasks usually attendant upon home owning, Chacksfield said.

"A far cry from the typical apartment house, Merit Gardens with its 31 spacious and distinctive apartments constitutes a group of tested home plans harmoniously placed together to reduce the cost of maintenance and the cost of long-term ownership," Chacksfield explained.

Set in the midst of lovely,

tropical landscaping, each apartment has a private balcony or patio, and the livable, flexible plans afford choice of one or two bedrooms, one bedroom with convertible den, and one or two attractively appointed baths.

Apartments are designed with sliding glass doors opening to the patio or balcony.

The many attractive features include all-wool carpeting, charming wallpaper accents, baths with Italian-marble pullmans, Italian-mosaic tile showers, and ceiling heaters, forced air heating, and appliance-equipped kitchens.

Well planned, step-saving kitchens are all equipped with built-in electric wall oven and counter-top range, electric vent, automatic dishwasher, sink-installed disposer, and lots of convenient cabinets and drawers.

In some plans, there is a convertible den with a sliding door to close it off for a second bedroom, or to open it wide for spacious, easy entertaining.

Letters

Ski Slide Opposition

EDITOR THE PRESS:
At the forthcoming City Council meeting Tuesday, a controversial zoning issue will be presented.

This issue is a request to build a commercial indoor ski slide in South Torrance.

The building site is surrounded by homes on three sides and a planned trailer park at its entrance.

Ours is a quiet residential and elementary-school area, and this commercial slide in the middle of it simply is not compatible.

Our property values, privacy, and quiet-home and school areas are at stake.

As your paper has been interested in the development of Torrance, I hope you will print this for your readers' interest.

—MRS. HAROLD A. BRUNNER
26302 Delos Drive

EDITOR THE PRESS:

I am a home owner and active voter in the Victoria Knolls tract in South Torrance.

This area includes approximately 750 homes and an elementary school. On Tuesday a rezoning problem will be brought before the Torrance City Council—that of building a commercial indoor ski slide in our residential area.

The building site is bounded by homes on three sides and will result in many problems, both to the home owners and to the city:

1. Mixing business in a residential area.
2. Depreciation of home values in this area.
3. Traffic congestion, noise, and lights.
4. Structures and parking lot incompatible with surrounding one-story dwellings.

Please—keep our residential area from turning commercial.

—MARTIN W. EWING
26334 Delos Drive

Diners Discuss Dodgers Over Marineland Entree

Baseball was the topic of conversation at Marineland Restaurant when Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Masek of Torrance entertained at dinner in the Porpoise Room prior to attending a recent night game of the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Lipinsky of San Pedro and Mr. and Mrs. John Wozniak of Rolling Hills.

OBITUARIES

BRISSE, JULIUS HENRY, age 69 of 2409 Torrance Blvd., Torrance, California. Services were held May 7, 1960, at HALVERSON LEAVELL MORTUARY CHAPEL with interment at Rosehill cemetery. Survived by wife, Charlotte, daughter, Alberteen McCabe, son, Oliver H. Brisso.

SMITH, SOPHIA, age 81 of 4511 Dearline St., Torrance, California. Services were held May 7, 1960, at HALVERSON LEAVELL MORTUARY CHAPEL with interment at Rosehill cemetery. Survived by 3 daughters, Mrs. Margaret Ann Cox and Mrs. Katie Brethling, son, Fred Smith, 9 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.



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Savings Association Declares Dividend

A regular quarterly dividend of 45 cents per share was declared on Bank of America National Trust and Savings Association capital stock this week.

The dividend is the annual rate of \$1.80 per share and is payable May 31 to shareholders of record May 6.

Named President

Ralph D. Bent, Co-ordinator of Training and Facilities at Northrop Institute of Technology in Inglewood, was elected president of the California Aviation Education Association at the organization's annual conference in Sacramento, recently.

Local Office Offers Help to Pensioners

Senior citizens seeking aid in obtaining glasses under the liberalized California pension law find a cordial welcome at the ground floor office of Dr. J. M. Soss, Optometrist, at 1268 Sartori Ave., Torrance. Dr. Soss, in the harbor area for 32 years, assists pensioners in determining their eligibility for glasses and relieves them of all details after eligibility has been confirmed. All the pensioner needs to do is bring the name of his social worker and medical identification card.

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